CARLSBAD SISTER CITY PROGRAM SPONSORS PHOTO COMPETITION FOR HIGH SCHOOL STUDENTS Entries Will Be Exhibited in Carlsbad and Karlovy Vary, Czech Republic

The Carlsbad Sister City Program is conducting a photography contest for Carlsbad residents in the 9th through 12th grades. Carlsbad teens are eligible to submit photographs with the guiding theme, "A Day in the Life of Carlsbad." Carlsbad's sister city Karlovy Vary in the Czech Republic is conducting a similar contest at the same time; students from both cities will be exhibited together in international showings in 2008. The contest includes Best of Show awards named for the late Sister City Committee member Paul Bartl and two exhibitions, one in Carlsbad and one in Karlovy Vary. The deadline for entries is Friday, December 14, 2007.

Entry Forms are available at all Carlsbad libraries, at the Carlsbad Arts Office, 2955 Elmwood Drive (next to Cole Library) between 9 am and 5 pm Monday-Friday or upon request by phone 760-434-2900 or by email to cfinn@ci.carlsbad.ca.us (Carlsbad Arts Office staff). No Entry Fee is required. Entrants must be Carlsbad residents. Subjects include the photographer's favorite things about the community: its people, environment, architecture, history, culture, family life, pastimes. A panel of professional photographers and college-level instructors will review all entries and select up to sixty photographs to be exhibited. All framing, insurance and shipping costs will be paid by the Carlsbad Sister City Program. A maximum of three photographs per entrant will be selected for the exhibition. There is no guarantee that an entrant will have any works selected; however, there are plans to include examples of every entrant's photographs via digital projection at the exhibitions and on websites in both cities. For information, call the Arts Info Line: 760-434-2904. ###